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Welcome to the Health Innovation Manchester newsletter

Here is the latest Health Innovation Manchester newsletter, bringing you the latest and trending news from across Greater Manchester's academic health science system (AHSS) and the region's burgeoning life sciences sector.

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**Tameside, integration,
digital and faster time to
value**



Greater Manchester has a number of shiny assets, particularly down the Oxford Road corridor and Salford, but understanding what is going on in each of the 10 localities is also vital.

Last week I had the privilege to spend some time in Tameside and Glossop in view of the real challenges for the local population (for example Tameside has some of the worst mortality rates for cardiovascular disease anywhere in the UK) and the chequered local history of Keogh review and special measures implemented after the CQC visit in 2013..

Read the rest of Ben's blog [here](#)..

News & Updates



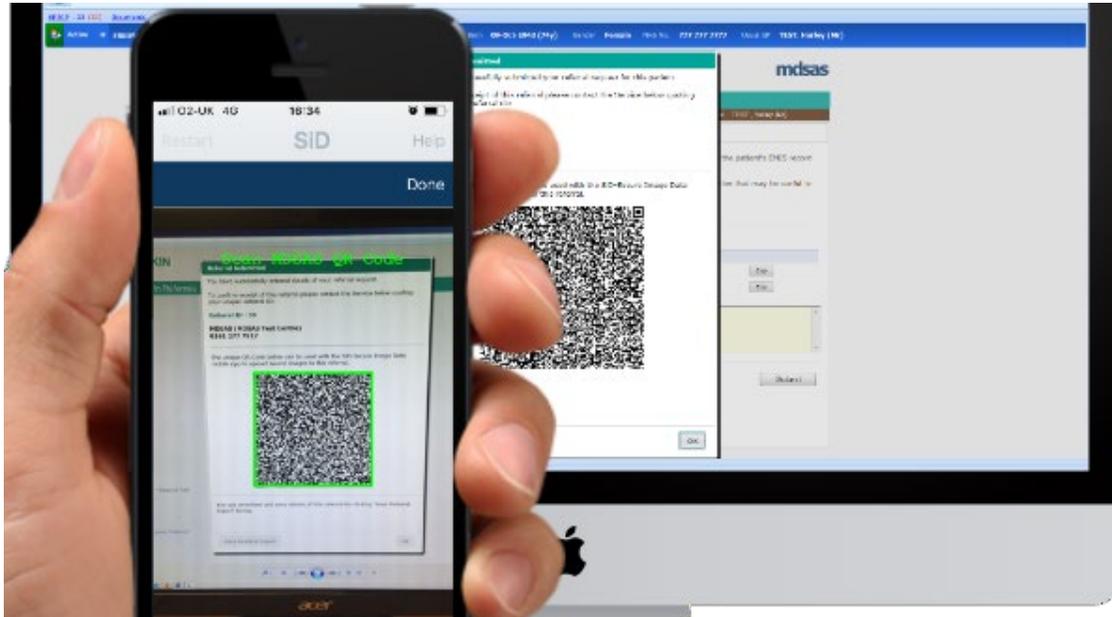
Dr Binita Kane joins Health Innovation Manchester

Respiratory consultant, Dr Binita Kane, has joined Health Innovation Manchester to lead our ambitious programme to improve the health of people with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) across Greater Manchester.

Dr Kane is a Consultant Chest Physician and clinical lead for integrated respiratory care at Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust, based at the North West Lung Centre at Wythenshawe Hospital.

She will be providing clinical leadership for the COPD programme, ensuring that it best meets the needs of patients and uses the most innovative and effective healthcare approaches.

To read more about Dr Kane's appointment click [here](#).



£100k funding awarded to fast track digital healthcare solutions

Health Innovation Manchester has awarded almost £100,000 of funding to three businesses to accelerate their innovative digital healthcare solutions.

The Innovation Funds provide financial support to projects that will improve the health and wellbeing of patients and citizens by making the best use of existing and emerging digital opportunities in health and social care.

The projects granted a share of the funding include; IT technology to improve outcomes for patients at high risk of complex wounds; an app to increase exercise and prevent falls amongst older people; and a digital platform to enhance identification and reduce the rate of obesity in children and young people.

To read more click [here](#)

Match-making business with the NHS

Over 40 companies attended the Ask the Buyer event to facilitate business introductions between the NHS and potential suppliers.

Organised by Health Innovation Manchester and the Innovation Agency, SMEs from Greater Manchester and Cheshire had the chance to meet NHS procurement and commissioning officials. The day included an expert panel answering questions about selling into the NHS. There was also opportunity to find out how Health Innovation Manchester helps entrepreneurs access the NHS with their innovations.

The event, which was held at Alderley Park Conference Centre, was supported by the European Regional Development Fund. Any business wanting help to trade with the NHS should go to [Innovation Nexus](#).

Maternity & Neonatal learning system launch

The Patient Safety Collaborative held the launch event for the Maternity and Neonatal

Learning System at Citylabs on March 12.

The event showcased innovations from the front line, including Episcissors, and heard from patient Victoria Ashcroft who experienced excellent care at Manchester's Rainbow Clinic during her second pregnancy after her first son was stillborn.

Attendees were also urged to build their knowledge of improvement theory and discuss how they could work together to improve patient safety as part of the learning system.

To watch a video from the event click [here](#) and be sure to follow the Patient Safety Collaborative Team on Twitter [@GMEC_PSC](#).

£7 million Government funding award to Manchester health consortium

Nearly £7 million of funding has been awarded to a recently formed Manchester health consortium, led by The Christie, to ensure more patients benefit from a new generation of disease-fighting drugs for cancer and non-cancer illnesses.

Read more [here](#).



The Christie



NHS Innovation Accelerator evaluation identifies key adoption success factors

The evaluation, conducted by the Institute for Employment Studies, highlights the impact of the [NHS Innovation Accelerator](#) in encouraging greater uptake of healthcare innovations and bringing positive outcomes for patient and population benefit.

Read more [here](#).

Opportunities and support

Test Beds Wave 2 matchmaking events

As you may already be aware, the [Test Beds programme](#) provides funding and support to NHS organisations and industry to test combinations of technology and pathway innovation to tackle some of the biggest challenges facing the health service. Wave 2 of the programme is currently live and accepting applications.

To support this, the AHSN Network is running a series of five matchmaking events during April. These will take place in London, Cambridge, Birmingham, Bristol and Manchester.

The Manchester event will take place **23 April / 10:00 – 14:30 at** etcVenues Manchester, 11, Portland Street, Manchester, M1 3HU. If you would like further information on the matchmaking events or to be added to the invitation list for any, please email [Rachel Fuller](mailto:Rachel.Fuller@etcvenues.com).

Events



Q Community Book Club Launch Thursday 12 April

Health Innovation Manchester, in partnership with AQuA, will be hosting five 'Book Club' sessions designed to share learning and best practice across The Health Foundation's prestigious Q Community members in the region.

Each of the sessions will explore essential principles and practices for improvement practitioners with themes including communication for improvement, influencing, system thinking, resilience and creativity. The first event on April 12 will focus on 'Communications in QI', and will be presented by Health Innovation Manchester's Senior Communications Officer Natalie Balmain.

The launch event takes place from 9.30am until 1.30pm on Thursday 12 April and is open to anyone working in NHS quality improvement in the North West.

For more information and to sign up click [here](#)

GM Connected Health City: Sharing progress and best practice Tuesday 17 April

Are you interested in the way Health & Social Care is delivered across Greater Manchester?

The Greater Manchester Connected Health City (GM CHC) & Manchester Ecosystem would like to invite you to an event to showcase the progress of the GM CHC, to share best practice & to explore new ways of using data to revolutionise health & social care.

For more details click [here](#).

Courses



Course: improving safety through better spoken communication between NHS staff
Friday 6 & Thursday 19 April

Click [here](#) for more information and booking.

Course: Strategic publishing and journal reviewing
Wednesday 25 April

Click [here](#) for more information and booking.

Course: Assessment and feedback for researchers
Tuesday 8 May

Click [here](#) for more information and booking.

Course: Critical analysis of research papers
Tuesday 9 May

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